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THOUGHT HIS WIFE'S WELCOME TOO COLD.

Louis Goldman Imagined She Had Ceased to Love Him, and Swallowed Arsenic.

Leuis Goldman, 45 years old, of No. 902 Franklin avenue, was taken to the City Hospital resterday suffering from the ef-

Goldman had been working in Texas since last summer. He returned home last Saturday, but did not consider that his wife's

The hospital physicians consider his case

is not serious. They say that arsenic is a poison which acts quickly, and that if he had taken a sufficient quantity to cause death, the end would have come before the

SPORTSMEN'S SHOES and boots, in leather and rubber. Rawlings Sporting Goods Company, 620 Locust street. CHOATE WILL NOT RESIGN.

American Ambassador at London Denies a Report.

London, Dec. 12.—United States Amhas-mador Choate denies the report that he is about to resign his post, which report, he says, is based on the belief that the death of his partner, Charles C. Beaman, would necessitate his return to his law practice.

CITY ITEMS. TO-NIGHT, CRAWFORD'S.

The store of stores, St. Louis' Greatest Store, St. Louis' Imperial Store, St. Louis' Grandest Store, St. Louis' Biggest Store, St. Louis' Cheapest Store, St. Louis' Cheapest Store, St. Louis' Cash Store, will keep its Portais wide open until the magic hour of 9 o'clock. Punch and Judy on Washington avenue front.



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POVERTY MADE HER DESIRE TO DIE.

Aged Mrs. Friend Slashed Throat While Husband Was Absent From Their Home.

a knife. She is now at the City Hospital in a precarious condition,

welcome showed that she was glad of his than herself. Mr. Friend has been in poor his wife harnessed up her husband's horse return. On Sunday, thinking that she no health recently and unable to work. Con- and coal wagon and started out in search

and procured the arsenic.

"I swallowed it in my wife's presence."

She brooded over her unfortunate condition. Yesterday morning when her husband was absent for a few moments she determined to go to the hospital."

She brooded over her unfortunate condition. Yesterday morning when her husband was absent for a few moments she determined to end her life. She seized a pruning knife, which lay on the kitchen table, and, sitting before a looking glass, slashed the blade several times across her throat. That she did not immediately actually was no use.

Washington Woman Passes Away After a Long and Eventful Life. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Eliza Dashiell died this morning at the age of 162 years at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Caroline Blackiston. She quietly passed her one hundred and second mile stone the 10th instant, with her immediate relatives about her. Two years ago her birthday anniversary was celebrated with much celat, she being at that time in such good health as to enter actively into the spirit of the occasion. For several months past her health has been marvelous, and when the end came it was so gradual that he family could scarcely realize it.

Mrs. Dashiell was a native of Baltimore, having been born on Charles street when it was but a country road. She was a daughter of John Hopkins of an oid colonial family of the Eastern shore, then engaged in business in Baltimore.

Yale Glee Club. Tickets at E. Jaccard's.

MARRIED THE OTHER MAN.

Miss Lauran Trueblood Breaks Up Plans for a Wedding.

Charles Dillard, a farmer, living near St.
Louis, and Laura Trueblood, daughter of the Reverend H. W. Trueblood of the Dalton City United Brether Church. The parents of the bride-to-be came to Decatur Tuesday to make further arrangements for the wedding. While they were away the young lady and John L. Jones of Paola, Ind., went to Sullivan and were married. The parents, it is understood, will forgive leans a specialty, at low ra. 2 of interest. Business strictly confidential. Unredeemed pietzes for sale.

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Elected Alderman.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Centralia, Ill., Dec. 19.—At a special election in the Second Ward yesterday Doctor
W. D. Richardson was elected Alderman to fill a vacancy caused by the removal from the city of Alderman Z. T.
Condit.

Big Failure in Minnesota. Pergus Falls, Minn., Dec. 19.—Whiey Tindolph, a real estate dealer of Thief River Falls, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court here, placing his assets at \$81,253.78, of which \$153 is exempt, and his liabilities at \$119,281.55.

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10 Saturday. HARRIS SHOE CO., 520 Pine St.

WIFE CHASED HIM IN A COAL WAGON.

She Was Better Driver and Overtook Husband-He Was Then Turned Over to Police.

Despondent because of her poverty, Mrs. Herman Wilke, a coal dealer, whose home Elizabeth Friend, 71 years old, of No. 501 is at No. 521 South Garrison avenue, is a South Second street, attempted suicide yes- prisoner at the Central District Police Sta- Marsh, who was beaten for re-election by a fects of arsenic which he had swallowed terday morning by slashing her throat with tion on a charge of wife abandonment. Ap- Democrat, J. R. Mickey of Macomb, Ill., is Wilke left home last Friday. There was Mrs. Friend has lived with her husband, little left in the house in the way of pro-Timothy Friend, who is five years older visions and so when they ran out yesterday longer loved him, he went to a drug store and procured the arsenic.

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His wife proved a better driver, so Wilke surrendered. He hitched his wagon on bablind hers and they drove together in search of a poleeman. They found two at Twenthusband returned.

DIED AT THE AGE OF 102.

Washington Woman Passes Away

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For the latest and best books by popular authors go to Phillip Roeder, 207 North Fourth street.

CAUGHT IN A STORAGE HOUSE.

Sixteen-Year-Old Kansas City Boy Under Arrest.

George Metcalfe, 16 years old, who recently came to St. Louis from Kansas City, Mo., is locked up at the Central District Police Station on a warrant charging him with burglary in the second degree. It is alleged that he broke into the vacant storage house at No. 17 South Seventh street, which is the property of Mrs. D. H. Evans of No. E18 Washington avenue.

Fred Knight of No. 113 South Seventh street is employed to guard the property. In the house is stored a lot of furniture, eliverware and household goods which belonged to the late David H. Evans. The estate has not yet been divided. Knight yesterday morning discovered that the place had been entered, but, without an invoice, he was unable to ascertain if anything had been taken. About 2 o'clock yesterday affernoon he went back to the house to make a closer investigation, and was surprised to find the door slightly ajar. After a few minutes he heard heavy breathing in the room. He looked behind a large box in the corner and there found Metcalfe crouched in the corner. Knight pulled him out and surrendered him to Policeman Edwards, who locked him up. Metcalfe says he went into the place to sleep, as he was worn out and had no other place to go.

Holiday rates via Big Four Route. Going December 22, 23, 24, 25, 31, January 1. Re-turning, January 2.

MOTHERS HELPED THEM.

Clarence Hauk and Mamie Doyle Had Knot Tied at Clayton. "He is my last son; I wish he wasn't

married, but I couldn't help it."

With tears in her eyes, Mrs. Annic L.

With tears in her eyes, Mrs. Annic L. Hauk of No. 1810 Goode avenue made this statement yesterday afternoon in Justice Greensfelder's office in Clayton, just after her 19-year-old son, Clarence R. Hauk, had been married to 17-year-old Mamie Doyle of No. 1518 Goode avenue.

Young Hauk and his bride were the youngest couple that have been married in Clayton for many a day and both were accompanied to the marriage license clerk, did not want to give them a license, as the law requires that the fathers appear in person and give consent, but they pleaded be hard that he finally rejented. Mrs. Hauk said that her husband. William C. Hauk, was a letter-carrier and could not get away, and Mrs. Doyle explained that her husband, too, was very busy. The young folks have been sweethearts for more than a year, and their parents finally concluded that it would be better to let them marry.

The other licenses issued at Clayton yesmarry.

The other licenses issued at Clayton yesterday were to John Cavanaugh and Anna Thoma, both of No. 715 South Leffingwell avenue; John A. Jacty of Clayton and Marie Louise Stratman of Price; John Prehn, Jr.,

of Webster Groves and Etta Thornton of

MARSH'S FEDERAL BUILDING BILLS.

Retiring Congressman Piles Up a Large Burden for His Successor in Office.

Washington, Dec. 19.-Representativa determined to go down with colors flying To-day Colonel Marsh introduced in the House bills to provide for new Federal buildings at sixteen towns in his district, as follows:

Clayten, \$19,000; Mount Sterling, \$15,000; Augusta, \$19,000; Alexis, \$19,000; Hamilton, \$19,000; Rushville, \$15,000; Warsaw, \$15,000; \$10,000; Rushville, \$15,000; Warsaw, \$15,000; Colchester, \$10,000; La Harpe, \$10,000; Oqunwka, \$10,000; Macomb, \$25,000; Carthage, \$15,000; Camp Point, \$10,000; Bushnell, \$15,000; Roseville, \$10,000, and Kirkwood, \$10,000. Members of the House regard this as a practical joke, but Marsh histsty that he will succeed in getting favorable action on some, if not all, of these bills.

PUNCHING BAGS from No to S. Rawlings Sporting Goods Company, 600 Locust street.

POLICE SERGEANT DALY DEAD. Follows His Old Friend, Sergeant King, to the Grave.

Daniel B. Daly, for twenty-three years a member of the St. Louis police force, who, until he became ill, was desk sergeant at was desk sergeant at the Dayton Street Police Station, diel yesterday morning at his home, No. 2817 Ad-ams street. His death follows that of his friend, Sergeant Wil-liam King, desk ser-geant of the Fourth District, by just one day.



Both officers were widely known in police circles It had been planned by the family to have the funeral of Sergeant Daily Friday morning, when that of Sergeant King will take place. But remonstrances were made by Cap-Police Sergeant Dan B. Daly.

Police Ninth District, it being suggested by the same day many who wished to attend

them that if the two funerals were held on the same day many who wished to attend both of them could not do so. Accordingly the funeral of Sergeant Daly was postponed until Saturday morning.

Sergeant Daly was 41 years old and until a week ago apparently in good health. He was then seized with dropey and gradually lost strength until the end came.

Daly was considered one of the most efficient officers on the force by his superiors. On several occasions he distinguished himself by courageous action under trying circumstances. He was at one time president of the Police Relief Association. In his connection with it, that organization was on a sound financial basis.

Sergeant Daly leaves a widow and five Sergeant Daly leaves a widow and five

REMOVAL.

The Southern Express Company has removed its office from 215 North Fourth street to 407 North Fourth street, accupying the latter place jointly with the Adams Express Company, where Mr. J. H. Waters, Agent, continues to represent the Southern Express Company.

Guarding Against Smallpox.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Vienna, Mo., Dec. 19.—The special term of the Circuit Court, called especially to try the Mahaney murder case, is in session here, but, as one or two main witnesses in that case have had the smallpox, and several others reside in the infected district, the trial has been postponed until the regular term in March next. The County Court has taken steps to have all the families where the smallpox is known to have existed Isolated, and it is thought the further spread of the disease can be prevented.

EXCURSION SLEEPING CARS To Los Angeles and San Francisco Leave St. Louis on "Katy Flyer" (M., K. & T. Ry.), 8:16 p. m. every Tuesday via San Antonio. See "Katy's" Agent. Death of a Civil War Veteran.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Centralia, Ill., Dec. 19.—Andrew C. Greg-ory, aged 71. a Civil War veteran, is dead. He was taken to Keens, Ill., for burial. No torture compares to that of a Rheu-maile. Prescription No. 2851, by Elmer & Amend, quickest relief of all.

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QUESTION OF JURISDICTION.

Point Decided in Favor of Deputy Coroner Fitzsimmons.

Deputy Coroner Fitzsimmons of St. Louis and Coroner Armstrong of St. Louis County had a little tilt yesterday over the body of Michael Eggs, who died from injuries received in St. Louis County. Fitzsimmons finally won out and held the inquest.

Eggs fell from a third-story scaffold on the new Washington University building, now in course of erection west of Forest Park, in St. Louis County, on last Saturday, He died on Monday night at St. Mary's Infirmary. Mortuary Clerk Reber, thinking that the death occurred in the county, telephoned Coroner Armstrong to hold an inquest. When Armstrong arrived he found Fitzelmmons on the scene. quest. When Armstrong arrived he found Flizzimmons on the scene.
Each claimed the right to hold the inquest. It was finally left to the decision of the Health Department. When Doctor Reber learned that the death occurred in St. Louis he said it was the province of the St. Louis Coroner to conduct the inquiry. Fitzsimmons then held the inquest, returning a verdict of accident. The county office is a fee office, while that of St. Louis is a salaried office.

Funeral of Mrs. Calvin S. Brice. Calvin S. Brice took place from the West Market Street Presbyterian Church to-day at 10 o'clock. The services were conducted by the Reverend Robert J. Thomson, pas-tor of the church, assisted by Doctor Thomson, formerly president of the Miami University, who also delivered an address at the funeral of Senator Brice.

Steamer Laura Not Yet Floated. London, Dec. 19.—All attempts to float the British steamer Laura, Captain Yule, from Savannah, via Nogfolk, for Bremen, ashore on the coast of Holland, near Petten, have

Yale Glee Club.

SHERIFF'S GREWSOME TASK. To Hang a Prisoner on Last Day in

Sheriff Shelt Mudd of Bates County, who is to hang Buck McGinness at Butler on the last day of the present year, was in the city yesterday. The signing of the death warrant and the execution itself will be his last official act, as the new Sheriff will be sworn in on January I.

Strenuous efforis have been made to induce Governor Stephens to grant a stay of execution until next month. McGinness was convicted of having murdered a farmer by the name of Burcharding near Papinville, Mo. The evidence was circumstantial, but Prosecuting Attorney Clark made such a strong case that on an appeal to the Supreme Court the finding of the lower court was affirmed.

COLD WAS HIS UNDOING.

Thomas Patski Used Handkerchief Which Caused His Arrest.

Thomas Patski's cold caused his arrest yesterday afternoon on a charge of petit larceny. Patski used a handkerchief, and the linen was recognized as stolen.

Patski was in a saloon at Seventh and

Wash streets, when Charles Fowler laids an overcoat on the back of a chair to lighten his shoulders while he leaded his inner man. On turning round Fowler found that his coat was out of sight. So he applied to the police.

With Officer Murphy, he left the Carr Street Station, and the first thing that they heard on entering the street was the trumpeting of Patski's nose. So their eyes followed their ears to where the nose was hiding behind Fowler's handkerchief, which was identified, and will be used as evidence in his trial in the Second District Police Court this morning.

To Cure Headache in 10 Minutes Take Parker's Headache Powders. They are safe and sure. All druggists. Price 184

STEWART ADJUDGED INSANE.

Cleveland Man Murdered His In-

fant Daughter. Cleveland, O., Dec. 19 .- Harry H. Stewart, who was arrested in New York some time since and brought here, charged with murdering his infant daughter and throwing the body in a sewer, was declared to be insane by a jury in the Criminal Court to-

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